

Appl. No. 10/577,050  
Amd. dated February 4, 2008  
Reply to Office Action of 01/04/2008

**REMARKS**

**Reconsideration And Allowance  
Are Respectfully Requested.**

Claims 1-20 are currently pending. No claims have been amended. No claims have been added. No claims have been deleted. No new matter has been added.

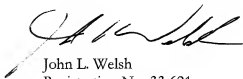
In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group II, claims 9-16, without traverse. With regard to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicant elects whole organisms with traverse in order that this response may be deemed complete. All of the elected claims 9-16 read thereon.

This election is made with traverse as the species requirement is deemed to be improper and is not understood. The items listed in the office action are not species, but are in fact different ingredients of the preparation being claimed. Applicant is entitled to set forth a broad independent claim not including all the ingredients and add further dependent claims with additional ingredients.

It is believed that this case is in condition for allowance and reconsideration thereof and early issuance is respectfully requested.

If it is felt that an interview would expedite prosecution of this application, please do not hesitate to contact applicants' representative at the below number.

Respectfully submitted,



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